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Held at Virginia State College
Petersburg Virginia

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Petersburg Va.
July 13, 1932.

The Colored Funeral Directors and Licensed Embalmers Association of Virginia assembled in the fifth annual meeting on the above date in the Chapel of the Virginia State College, Petersburg Virginia, with exhibits in the Gymnasium Building.

The President, J.H. Corprew of Portsmouth called the meeting to order. The opening remarks were made by Capt. Thomas H. Brown of Petersburg Virginia, after which the devotionals were conducted by Rev. W.H. Mitchell as follows: Singing - "Blest be the tie that binds", Scripture Lesson, Job 14 Chapter, - prayer by Rev. W.E. Sanderlin and singing, "Take the Name of Jesus with you".

The president delivered his annual address. By motion this address was received.

The following Committees were appointed: Credentials, C.V. Wilson, Chr., W.H. Satterfield, C.D. Matthews - Grievance, J.T. Walker, chr., B.T. King, J.S. Taylor - Nomination of Officers and place of meeting, R.C. Scott, Chr., J.H. Walker, C.V. Wilson, B.F. King, N.H. Gordon.

The roll call was started, but deferred until the afternoon session.

The enrollment of new members as follows: Annie Mae Broadnax, \$5.00 - Mary B. Lundy, \$5.00 - L.C. Morse, \$5.00 - Charles Taylor (with Taylor Co.) Mrs. J.M. Wilkerson, Disputanta Undertaking Co. (Mason).

The amount collected at morning session, \$90.00

The Secretary - Treasurer made the following report:

On motion of Mr. Scott, seconded by Mr. Taylor, the Secretary - Treasurer's report was received and adopted.

The following visitors were introduced:

Mr. Yancey
Rev. T.M. Crowder
Rev. W.H. Mitchell
Mrs. C.M. Alexander
Prof. N.H. Dotson

Philadelphia Pa.
Petersburg Va.
First Baptist, New River
Norfolk, Va.
Washington, D.C.

Remarks were made by President J.M. Gandy of Virginia State College.

The Association adjourned at 1 P.M. for luncheon.

At 2:30 P.M. the Association re-assembled with prayer offered by Rev. W.H. Mitchell. At this time Prof. C.T. Calloway delivered an address. On motion of Prof. Calloway was extended a rising vote of thanks.

Amount collected afternoon session, \$30.00.

The afternoon session adjourned at 5 P.M. and the members of the Association were taken on a sight-seeing tour.

At 7:30 P.M. they assembled at the Gillfield Baptist Church where the following program was rendered:

LOCAL PROGRAM

Wednesday July 13, 1932, 7:30 P.M.

Gillfield Baptist Church.

Opening Remarks	Capt. T.H. Brown, Chm.
	Local Committee
Devotionals	Rev. S.A. Brown, Pastor,
	assisted by Rev. J.E. Trice
Welcome to Church and Introduction of	Mayor J.B. Jolly,
	Maj. W.H. Johnson, Clerk.
Welcome on part of Business Interests	Mr. D.C. Valentine
	Pres. Petersburg Civic Assc.
Welcome on part of Insurance Interests	Mr. W.J. Lewis
Welcome on part of White Funeral Directors	Mr. D.H. Reams
	Of J.T. Morris Co. Inc
Response to Welcomes	Mr. C.P. Hayes, Richmond Va
	Chm. State Ex. Committee
Introduction of Speaker	Rev. J.B. Brown, Pastor
	Zion Bapt. Church.
Address	Dr. J.M. Garndy, Pres.
	Va. State College
Music	Church Choir and Virginia State College Choir
	Directed by Prof. Alston Burleigh.
Closing Remarks.	

After the public program the association was entertained with a smoker at the Recreational Center, Harding St., by the Petersburg Civic Association.

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Thursday, July 14, 1932.

The Colored Funeral Directors and Licensed Emablmers assembled Thursday Monring at 9:30 o'clock in their second day session.

Memorial services were held for the late President, J.M. Wilkerson.

The credential Committee made the following report:

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We, your committee on Credentials, beg leave to submit the following : Those members who have paid for 1932 are the following:

Capt. Thos. H. Brown	\$5.00	Dinwiddie Und. Co.	\$5.00
Mr. Mosey Forsey	5.00	S.T. Smith	5.00
B.F. King	10.00	E.D. Mason	5.00
C.V. Wilson	5.00	H.L. Minor	10.00
Disputanta Und. Co.	5.00	A.C. Thompson	5.00
T.G. Wilson	5.00	C.E. Corbin	5.00
Epps and Epps	5.00	Otis Gust	5.00
Norman Gordon	5.00	J.H. Robinson	5.00
M.B. Poole	5.00	L.C. Morse	5.00
J.L. Walker	5.00	Wilcox Jones	5.00
J.S. Taylor	5.00	B.H. Foster	5.00
J.H. Corprew	5.00	W.S. West	5.00
R.C. Scott	5.00	A.D. Price	5.00
W.H. Satisfield	5.00	G.W. Peace	5.00
Mr. J.O. Morris	5.00	R.W. Clarke	5.00
C.D. Matthews	5.00	Joseph Bond	5.00
A. Brown	5.00	Mrs. J.M. Wilkerson	5.00

Respectfully submitted,
C.V. Wilson, Chairman
W.H. Satterfield
C.D. Matthews

Randolph Booth	5.00
V.Y. Scott	5.00
W.H. Crocker	5.00
A.M. Boder	5.00
May Lundey	5.00

This report was received and adopted and a vote of thanks extended to the Committee.

The Auditing Committee made their report as follows:

This report was rejected in that the report has been adopted when read.

The Committee on Griegances made the following report:

Glad to say there is no grievance in this organization.

Respectfully your committee:
J.T. Walker, Chairman
B.F. King
J.S. Taylor.

This report was received and adopted with thanks:

A motion was made by Mr. Price that all visiting embalmers and undertakers would witness the demonstration.

The committee on Nomination of Officers and place of meeting made the following report:

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We your Committee on Nomination of Officers and Place of Meeting beg to submit the following: We feel that since the officers of this body are really to be elected from the floor and not by a report from the committee, that the chairman entertain nominations and motions for the election of officers to the various positions. The the office of Secretary and Treasurer be divided.

With reference to place, your committee having discussed the matter with the president of the institution, beg to offer that the Association will meet here again next year at the same time. The association defraying the expense of the meeting.

A steering committee be appointed to see after the affairs of entertaining and preparing for the meeting of the Association and the president and manager of State College be asked to sit with this committee at this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
R.C. Scott
C.D. Matthews
C.V. Wilson
J.T. Walker.

This report was received and it was moved by Mr. Price and properly seconded that this report would be adopted in sections.

Mr. C.V. Wilson explained to the body just why they should meet in Petersburg Va. in 1933.

The association adjourned for luncheon.

The body re-assembled for business at 2 P.M.

On motion of Mr. Epps, properly seconded, it was carried that it would take two-third of the votes of the house to change the Constitution.

On motion of Mr. John Morris of Cape Charles, seconded by Mr. Wilcox Jones of Petersburg, the Secretary's Treasurer's office was declared two separate and distinct offices.

By majority vote Capt. Thomas H. Brown of Petersburg was elected as Treasurer and Mr. C.V. Wilson of Lynchburg as Secretary.

The following Executive Committee was elected: R.C. Scott, Chr., Thomas H. Brown, C.V. Wilson, R.W. Clark and A.D. Price.

The president was empowered to appoint a committee on Legislative Program.

At this time the Association was addressed by Maj. L.T. Christian, Secretary of the State Board of Embalming.

After this address the body took cars for the Central State Hospital where the lecture and demonstration was held.

At 8:30 P.M. the Association was the guest of the Local Committee at a banquet at the Recreational Center, Harding Street, where all seemed to have had a pleasant evening.

At 10 P.M. the Association was the guest of the Royal Lodge of Elks at the Elk's Home, Byrne St.

The Convention closed with words of appreciation expressed by the delegates for the entertainment given them while in Petersburg, Virginia.

J.H. Corpnew, President,
Thos. H. Brown, Secretary.